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NEWS AND NOTES

Notes of interest to the readers of the *Journal* should be in the hands of the editor of "News and Notes" not later than the tenth of the month preceding publication.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT

The time and place for the next convention of the American Society for Municipal Improvement has been arranged for October 12-15, 1920, at the Planter's Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, according to the announcement of the secretary, Charles C. Brown, Valparaiso, Indiana.

HORACE PLUNKETT FOUNDATION

A syllabus of lectures on rural sociology by Arthur W. Ashby has recently been published. This course of lectures upon rural sociology in England was made possible by the Foundation established by Sir Horace Plunkett. In 1914, Mr. Ashby was a graduate student in economics and sociology at the University of Wisconsin.

THE FAMILY

The American Association for Organizing Family Social Work announces the publication of a national house organ, *The Family*. The ultimate purpose of this periodical is to improve the standards and methods of social work with families. As a technical trade journal of case-work, it will provide social workers information upon up-to-date methods. At the same time it is designed to interest the intelligent lay public. The publication committee consists of ten prominent social workers. The managing editor is Thomas K. Brown, Jr., 130 East 22d Street, New York City.

AMHERST COLLEGE

President Alexander Meiklejohn announces the gift by an unknown donor of \$100,000 for the creation of the Amherst Memorial Fellowship for the Study of Social, Economic, and Political Institutions. Graduates of colleges and universities, not necessarily recent graduates, are eligible for appointment to this fellowship. Among the qualifications enumerated

are sound health, qualities of leadership founded upon strength of character, marked mental ability in some branch of the social sciences, promise of original contribution, a spirit of service rather than ambition for personal advancement, and an intention of devoting one's life to the betterment of social conditions through teaching in its broad sense, journalism, politics, or field work. A fellow shall be appointed every second year for a period of not more than four years. At least half of his appointment shall be spent in study in Europe. It is hoped that each fellow shall at some time deliver a course of lectures at Amherst. The fellowship fund will provide \$2,000 a year for each fellow.

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Up till the present year economics, political science, and sociology have been a single department under one man. The only sociology offered was a one-quarter introductory course given during the spring term. Because of the large numbers that have elected Sociology this past year sociology has been separated from economics and political science and the following list of courses are now being offered: 1-2. Introduction to Sociology. Two majors; 3. Cities. Major; 4. Rural Sociology. Minor; 5. Social Origins. Major; 6. Family. Minor; 7. Social Pathology. Major; 8. Social Insurance. Minor; 9. Social Psychology. Minor; 10-11. Social Theory. Two majors; 12. Social Investigation. Major.

During the three quarters the enrollment in the different divisions of the introductory courses was three hundred and eighty and in the advanced courses one hundred and twenty. Because of the size of the beginning classes they had to be run in sections. This means that advanced courses for the time being are only given in alternate years. The enrollment previously in sociology was from twenty to twenty-five. Because indications point to a much larger enrollment next year plans are being worked out to divide the introductory classes into quiz sections, three sessions a week being devoted to lectures and two sessions to quizzes under assistants.

Assistant Professor J. E. Hawkins of the German department has been in charge of the courses in economics during the past year. The following appointments have been made for the coming year: W. A. Jackson, of the University of Chicago, instructor in economics; G. W. Harris, superintendent of schools, Gatesville, Texas, instructor in political science and history.

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Mr. Daniel H. Kulp, II, professor of sociology in Shanghai College and director of the Yangtsepoo Social Center, Shanghai, China, has been appointed professorial lecturer in sociology for the second semester, 1921. Dr. Dealey takes a sabbatical leave for that period.

During the past year Mr. Kulp has been instructing in sociology at the University of Chicago.

CARLETON COLLEGE

Jacob Balzer, M.A., has been engaged as a member of the staff of this college for next year and will teach sociology and New Testament.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Miss Pauline Wherry, of Cleveland, Ohio, has been appointed supervisor of social service training work carried on jointly by the university and the American Red Cross. This is a new course and includes two lectures and one conference each week.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY

The co-operative plan of the department of sociology and the social service agencies of Hamilton, Ohio (an industrial city of 50,000), is an increasing success. A number of students have gone into various fields of social work in the last three years from this course of training.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The department of sociology of the University of Minnesota has had during the three quarters of the regular session of this year approximately 2,150 registrations in its courses. Of these 960 were in the introductory course and 1,190 in the advanced courses. These figures include approximately 100 extension students on the main campus who are given the same work as that assigned to the regular students. The registration for the spring quarter runs over 850.

Mr. W. W. Hodson, director of the child welfare division of the state board of control of Minnesota, has been appointed lecturer in the department of sociology and will offer a course on "The Legal Protection of the Child" in the summer school and in the regular session of next year. Professor Louis A. Boettiger, A.B., A.M., of Fargo College, and Charles E. Lively, A.B., A.M., now assistant in the department

of sociology, have been appointed instructors for the next regular session. Andrew N. Wray, professor of sociology and economics of the Northern State Normal School of South Dakota, at Aberdeen, has been appointed Teaching Fellow in the department.

The leave of absence of Professor A. J. Todd has been extended for another year, to cover the session of 1920-1921.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The North Carolina Club has recently published a bulletin on "State Reconstruction Studies." This publication, like bulletins which have preceded it, is the result of a co-operative effort of students in the department of rural economics and sociology. The activities of the North Carolina Club, in their organization under the leadership of Professor E. C. Branson, are an interesting demonstration of an experiment in participation of the university in the service of the state.

COLORADO STATE TEACHERS' COLLEGE

The department of sociology of Colorado State Teachers' College has secured the services of Dr. Edward T. Devine, of the *Survey*, and Dr. Edward Carey Hayes, of the University of Illinois, both in the dual capacity of teacher and lecturer, during its summer-quarter session. Each will teach in two classes and give one week of evening lectures on sociological questions of popular appeal. Dr. Hayes lectured and taught at this college last summer.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

The third annual meeting of the Ohio Academy of Social Sciences was held at the university, April 2 and 3. Professor J. E. Hagerty spoke on the subject "University Salaries versus Business Salaries." Dr. Monroe Stowe, president of Toledo University, gave a report on the Survey of the Social Science Teaching in Ohio High Schools.

THE RICE INSTITUTE

Dr. John W. Slaughter is in charge of the courses in sociology with the title of lecturer in civics and philanthropy.

SMITH COLLEGE

Charles Franklin Emerick who has been professor of economics and sociology here died on March 23. He was fifty-three years of age.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

William C. Smith, of the University of Chicago, has been elected assistant professor of sociology. His work will begin in September, 1920, and he will offer new courses in Social Origins, Social Attitudes, Ethnology, and Eugenics in order to meet the increasing demands on the department for sociology courses.

According to announcement made in the current issue of the *Revue internationale de sociologie*, Professor E. S. Bogardus has been elected an associate member of the International Institute of Sociology, Paris.

Professor H. J. McClean has resigned as president of the Los Angeles Social Service Commission, which position he has held for the past three years.

Ralph F. Burnight, assistant in sociology, is publishing a small monograph on the Japanese problem in rural Los Angeles County.

The courses in Americanization are being especially emphasized in the six weeks' summer session, beginning June 28.

Professor Clarence E. Rainwater is specializing in the field of community organization and has recently written a syllabus on the subject which has been published by the Southern California Sociological Society.

WASHBURN COLLEGE

The undergraduate work in sociology is flourishing. There are one hundred and eighty-two students now registered in the department.